

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, a woman's health reflects both her individual biology and her sociocultural, economic, and physical environments; and

WHEREAS, though the prominent health issues facing women vary from one ethnic group to the next, presenting different and competing risks, the greatest opportunity for reducing health disparities is to provide all people with the skills, education, and care they need to make informed health decisions; and

WHEREAS, the annual observance of National Women's Health Week celebrates the extraordinary progress in women's health over the past 100 years and encourages women to take simple steps to improve their health; and

WHEREAS, during the 2004 celebration of National Women's Health Week, the United States Department of Health and Human Services is hosting National Women's Check-Up Day on May 10th, with community health centers offering preventive health services and health education on a variety of topics for women across the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 9 - 15, 2004, as

WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of women's health to the health of our families, our communities, and our nation.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA